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SUBJECT: NATIONWIDE TEXTILE STRIKE SETTLED--FIDEL FAVORS
COL WAGE INCREASES

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1. A ONE-DAY INDUSTRYWIDE STRIKE OF 36,000 COTTON TEXTILE WORKERS IN 300 PLANTS WAS SETTLED LATE JUNE 26. AT THE OUTSET OF THE STRIKE THE UNIONS DEMANDED A 25-PERCENT WAGE INCREASE WITH MANAGEMENT HOLDING FIRM ON A 12-PERCENT OFFER. THE INCREASE OF 13 PERCENT EFFECTED BY THE FINAL SETTLEMENT INDICATES THAT HEAVY PRESSURES WERE APPLIED TO THE UNION BY GOM CONCILIATORS.

2. UNOMASUNO REPORTED JUNE 27 THAT CTM GEN-SECY FIDEL VELASQUEZ STATED THAT HIS CONFEDERATION "FAVORS" A SYSTEM OF WAGE ADJUSTMENTS "PEGGED TO THE OFFICIAL COL INDEX AT LEAST EVERY THREE OR SIX MONTHS." THE ARTICLE ALSO REPORTS HIS CLAIM THAT ONE OF THE NEXT MAJOR GOALS OF THE CTM WILL BE TO "CONTROL THROUGH LEGISLATION, FALSE, OBJECTIONABLE (MENTIROSA Y ENAJENANTE)...AND EXCESSIVE ADVERTISING OF PRODUCTS" WHICH MAKE CONSUMER PRODUCTS "MUCH MORE COSTLY." END UNCLASSIFIED.

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3. COMMENT: SINCE BOTH OF VELASQUEZ' STATEMENTS WERE MADE IN A CASUAL INTERVIEW AND REPORTED ONLY BY UNOMASUNO, WE HAVE SOME DOUBTS THAT HE WILL MAKE A MAJOR EFFORT TO OBTAIN EITHER. HIS COMMENT ON THE DESIRABILITY OF REGULAR COL ADJUSTMENT OF WAGES IS, HOWEVER, THE FIRST APPEARANCE

OF SUCH A SUGGESTION. COMING FROM DON FIDEL, IT MUST BE
TAKEN WITH MORE THAN A GRAIN OF SALT. LUCEY

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